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JERRY PAUL GONZALES,

Defendant and Appellant,

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE OPENING BRIEF

On Appeal from the Montana Thirteenth Judicial District Court Yellowstone County, Gregory R. Todd

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Opposing counsel has been contacted and does not object. No previous extensions of time have been requested for the filing of the opening brief.

DATED this <u>33</u> day of November, 2009.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, hereby certify that I have filed a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Notice of Appeal with the Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court; and that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing NOTICE OF APPEAL upon the Clerk of District Court, each attorney of record, and each party not represented by attorney in the above-referenced District Court action as follows:

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